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1. A factory called "Maco" is situated on the road between Arnstadt and Ichtershausen. It is very closely guarded by Soviet troops. About 1,000 workmen are employed there.

Comment: "Maco" refers, no doubt, to Mako und Vakuuntrockner GmbH of Rudisleben near Arnstadt, who are manufacturers of measuring instruments for aircraft and submarines.)

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2. At the beginning of June 1947, a Russian officer from the "Maco" factory visited the Siemens Radio Isolator AG at Arnstadt, and asked them to test a high vacuum diffusion pump which, he said, formed part of a consignment for the USSR. The pump was for 10⁻⁵ mm. Hg and had two diffusion stages and one mercury vapor stage. Tests showed that the pump was excellent.

3. The officer stated that he was about to order one hundred such pumps from the firm of Buechler in Frauswald, Thuringia (sic).

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Comment: the firm of Buschler cannot be properly indentified.)

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